

Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 131

Chairperson: Bob Kremer
Committee: Agriculture
Date of Hearing: March 1, 2005

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 131 makes changes in the current exemptions to the definition of "food establishment" in the Nebraska Pure Food Act. One exemption pertains to an establishment or vending machine operation that offers only prepackaged soft drinks. LB 131 strikes language that is not needed and includes canned or bottled fruit and vegetable juices in the exemption.

LB 131 adds two new exemptions to the definition of food establishment. The first is a private home where food is prepared for distribution at a function for a charitable purpose. However, a placard stating that the food was prepared in a kitchen that is not subject to regulation and inspection would be required at the serving location. The second exemption is for the sale of commercially packaged foods that are not potentially hazardous at a private home, farmers market, craft show or other temporary event lasting less than 11consecutive days.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Douglas Cunningham